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TO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES PRIORITY

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SUBJECT:SOFT BODY ARMOR

FOR RSO BECKETT

1. AS GEORGE VARROS CAN PERHAPS DESCRIBE TO YOU IN GREATER
DETAIL, AMERICAN TECHNOLOGY HAS PRODUCED A STRONG
SYNTHETIC FIBER WHICH WHEN WOVEN INTO A SOFT AND PLIABLE
FABRIC CAN BE USED TO PRODUCE SOFT BODY ARMOR. THE SUB-
STANCE IS BEING SOLD UNDER THE TRADE NAME KEVLAR AND IS
BEING MADE UP COMMERCIALY INTO VARIOUS ITEMS OF WEARING
APPAREL TO INCLUDE UNDER GARMENTS.

2. GIVEN EXISTING CONDITIONS IN BUENOS AIRES, IT IS CON-
SIDERED ADVISABLE TO PROVIDE BODY PROTECTION TO THE AMBAS-
SADOR, DCM AND TO SECURITY OFFICERS ON A TRIAL BASIS. THE
SOFT BODY ARMOR RECOMMENDED IS AN UNDERSHIRT-TYPE GARMENT
WHICH CAN BE WORN NEXT TO THE FLESH AND PROVIDES PROTEC-
TION FOR THE ENTIRE TORSO REGION OF THE BODY. A SHIRT AND
COAT CAN BE WORN RATHER COMFORTABLY OVER THE ARMOR UNDER-
SHIRT. SEVERAL PLYS OF THE SOFT FABRIC WILL DEFEAT UP
TO 9MM FIRE.

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3. ALTHOUGH THIS WOULD REPRESENT THE FIRST ACQUISITION

OF SUCH MATERIAL BY SY, OTHER U.S. SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE U.S. MILITARY HAVE PURCHASED AND ARE USING KEVLAR GARMENTS. IF RSO DESIRES THIS EQUIPMENT, PLEASE PROVIDE BY CABLE THE COAT SIZE AND THE HEIGHT OF THE PROSPECTIVE WEARER AND SY WILL PLACE THE ORDER WITH THE COMMERCIAL FIRM. ITEMS CAN BE READY FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN SEVERAL DAYS.

4. PLEASE ADVISE. INGERSOLL

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